Topic Plan

Year 3

Spring 2 - 'Stone Age to the Iron Age" - We will be learning about how humans survived the Stone Age, the technical advances humans made during the prehistoric period and the mysterious Stonehenge.

Key Skills

- Use dates to order and place events on a timeline.
- Use historic terms related to the period of study.
- Describe changes in Britain from the Stone Age to the Iron Age.
- Describe where the people and events studied fit within a chronological framework and identify similarities and differences between ways of life in different time periods.
- Make confident use of a variety of sources for independent research.
- Use knowledge of existing products to design his/her own functional product.

Key Facts

- In the early Stone Age, people were nomadic; they were hunters and gatherers.
- Flint was used to make tools
- Farming was first invented in the new Stone Age.
- Skara Brae is one of the best-preserved Neolithic settlements.
- Humans made many technological advances during the Bronze Age, including the first writing systems and the invention of the wheel.
- No one really knows why Stonehenge was built.
 Some theories suggest it could have been linked to studying the stars or for religious purposes.

Key Vocabulary

Prehistoric - when there was human life before records documented human activity.

Paleolithic Period -Old Stone Age (30,000 BCE-10,000 BCE)

Mesolithic Period -Middle Stone Age (10,000 BCE-8,000 BCE)

Neolithic Period - New Stone Age (8,000 BCE-3,000 BCE) Bronze Age - period of time

Bronze Age - period of time that was characterised by the use of bronze.

Iron Age - final stage of prehistory when iron replaced bronze.

Flint - a hard, tough sedimentary rock.

Cave art - type of art found on the walls and ceilings of caves.

Key Figures/Places

Lascaux Cave



Skara Brae

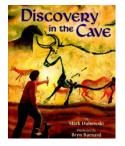


Stonehenge

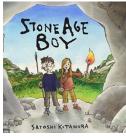


Reading and Writing Links

Discovery of the Cave



The Stone Age Boy



Stig of the Dump (Class Reader)

Writing:

- Newspaper report
- Playscript

Alongside this, we will be focusing on year 3 spelling and grammar.

